# Conformal maps - Computability and Complexity 

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3. The harmonic measure on $\partial \Omega$ at $w$ : first boundary hitting distribution of Brownian motion started at $w$ (or one of a score of other definitions).

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Any algorithm computing values of the uniformization map will also compute the conformal radius with the same precision, by Distortion Theorem.

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Theorem(B-Rojas-Yampolsky) The Carathéodory extension of $f: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \Omega$ is computable iff $f$ is computable and there exists a computable Carathéodory modulus of $\Omega$.
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Essentially, $\hat{f}^{-1}$ is $1 / 2$-Hölder as a map from $\hat{\Omega}$ to $\overline{\mathbb{D}}$.
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Thus, if $f$ is computable up to the boundary, $2 \omega\left(\frac{30 \epsilon}{\sqrt{M}}\right)$ is a computable Carathéodory modulus.

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But if the harmonic measure of $\Omega$ would be computable, we would just have to compute it with precision $2^{-10 n}$ to decide if $n \in B$. This contradicts non-computability of $B$ !

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$$
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$$

where $s_{i}=\min \left\{2^{-s}, 1 /\left(3 i^{2}\right)\right\}$.

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